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MMARS Policy: Payroll

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# Central Payroll Systems: Enterprise Management and Performance in Administrative Computing (E\*MPAC)

### **Executive Summary**

Enterprise Management and Performance in Administrative Computing (E\*MPAC) is a central payroll system that supports all employees at the University of Massachusetts campuses. E\*MPAC combines the efficiencies of a client server application to central payroll processing and assures the system conforms to state, federal and University financial and legal requirements. E\*MPAC also allows for flexible implementation of decentralized campus policies that report deduction processing, dues schedules, fee schedules, and categorizations (such as affirmative action or employee types).

#### **Considerations**

This policy applies to the University of Massachusetts.

#### **Policy**

University personnel are responsible for upholding all Commonwealth Payroll Expenditure Policies. Each campus has total responsibility for collection and input of all payroll and personnel data, printing of system-generated reports, creation of ad hoc reports, downloading of data for use by local reporting systems, and maintenance of all campus tables.

Authority to operate E\*MPAC has been delegated to the University of Massachusetts by the Office of the Comptroller. To ensure data integrity, it is required that both HRCMS and E\*MPAC maintain table values consistent with the Commonwealth's time and record keeping of payroll. Any changes within E\*MPAC must be approved by the Office of the State Comptroller and UMS.

Bi-weekly the University Controllers Office will manually enter PV9 at a summary level (the MMARS equivalent) into the Massachusetts Management Accounting and Reporting System (MMARS) to update

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their payroll data to the States Accounting System. This ensures compliance of the UMASS systems with the state's payroll and accounting systems.

### **Internal Controls**

### **Information Sources**

- Related Procedure None
- Legal Authority
  - Massachusetts General Laws, Chapter 7A, Sections 3, 7 and 8
  - Massachusetts General Laws, Chapter 75, Section 10
- Attachments None
- Links None
- Contacts CTR Help Desk
- **November 1, 2006** Removed language referencing Knowledge Center and updated relevant links to Mass.gov/osc portal site.